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SUBJECT: UNIDO-SPECIALIZED AGENCY STATUTES

REF: A. VIENNA 4750; B. STATE 126881

1. UNIDO EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR INVITED SOME 12 PERM REPS FROM DIFFERENT GEOGRAPHIC GROUPS (INCLUDING FRG, NETHERLANDS, SOVIET UNION, LIBYA, PHILIPPINES, INDIA, VENEZUELA, ARGENTINA, ROMANIA, US) TO INFORMAL LUNCH JUNE 6. LUNCHEON WAS PRECEDED BY GET-TOGETHER IN KHANE'S OFFICE AT WHICH WERE PRESENT TWO MEMBERS OF NEW YORK SECRETARIAT WHO WERE IN VIENNA TO PUT FINISHING TOUCHES TO SECRETARIAT DRAFT STATUTES IN ORDER PERMIT FORMAL SUBMISSION TO ECOSOC IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARA 69 OF LIMA DECLARATION AND PLAN OF ACTION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

2. LENGTHLY DISCUSSION TOOK PLACE OF HOW DRAFT STATUTES MIGHT BE HANDLED BOTH AT ECOSOC MEETING AND FALL GA SESSIONS. AS FOR ECOSOC VIEWS RANGED FROM HAVING THE COUNCIL SIMPLY TAKE NOTE OF DRAFT STATUTES AND PASS THEM ON TO GA WITHOUT DISCUSSION (A VIEW URGED BY THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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US AND FRG) TO HAVING GENERAL DISCUSSION OF STATUTES

TO ENABLE MEMBER COUNTRIES TO GET THEIR VIEWS ON THE RECORD FOR PURPOSE OF PREPARING GROUND FOR "USEFUL DISCUSSION" AT GA IN SEPTEMBER. LATTER LINE WAS TAKEN BY ROMANIA AND LATIN AMERICANS. INDIA (CHAIRMAN OF G-77) NOTED THAT QUESTION OF HOW TO DEAL WITH DRAFT STATUTES IN COMING SESSIONS OF ECOSOC AND GA SCHEDULED TO BE CONSIDERED BY G-77 WORKING PARTY IN A FEW DAYS. PHILIPPINES NOTED THAT PROVISIONS IN PARA 69 OF LIMA DOCUMENTS THAT DRAFT STATUTES BE FIRST SENT TO ECOSOC EN ROUTE TO GA WAS INSERTED DURING G-77 DISCUSSION AT INSISTENCE OF CUBA. PHILIPPINES EXPECTED CUBA WOULD INSIST ON OPPORTUNITY TO EXPOUND SUBSTANTIVE VIEWS ON DRAFT STATUTES AND CONSEQUENTIALLY TRIGGER SIMILAR STATEMENTS FROM OTHER DELEGATIONS.

3. AS FOR TREATMENT AT SEVENTH SPECIAL GA, GENERAL VIEW OF THOSE PRESENT APPEARED TO GO ALONG WITH ESTABLISHMENT OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL MACHINERY, TO BE CHARGED WITH SUBSTANTIVE CONSIDERATION OF STATUTES, OR DESIGNATING THE IDB FOR THIS PURPOSE, AND TO AVOID UNDERTAKING THIS EXERCISE WITHIN SS-7 ITSELF. (WE TOOK LINE CONTAINED PARA 2 REF B DURING THIS DISCUSSION.) SOVIET UNION INSISTED, HOWEVER, THAT THIS PROCEDURE MUST ALLOW DELEGATIONS AMPLE OPPORTUNITY AT SS-7 TO STATE VIEWS BOTH ON QUESTION OF TRANSFORMATION INTO SPECIALIZED AGENCY AND ON PROVISIONS OF DRAFT STATUTES THEMSELVES. NUMBER OF LDC'S PRESENT EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT REPORT OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL GROUP NOT BE DELAYED UNTIL 31ST GA AND ARGUED THAT CONSIDERATION SHOULD BE GIVEN TO HAVING INTERGOVERNMENTAL GROUP REPORT TO 30TH GA AT THE END OF NOVEMBER SO THAT STATUTES COULD BE RECOMMENDED TO MEMBER STATES FOR RATIFICATION BEFORE 30TH SESSION ADJOURNED. WE NOTED SOME DIFFICULTIES WITH THIS TIMETABLE. DISCUSSION OF THSI POINT BROKE OFF WITH INDIAN AMBASSADOR AGAIN STATING THAT MATTER REQUIRED ATTENTION BY G-77 BEFORE LDC'S COULD USEFULLY EXPRESS VIEWS TO OTHER GROUPS.

4. ON SUBSTANTIVE SIDE, KHANE NOTED THAT DOUBLE REQUIREMENT FOR ADOPTION OF BUDGET CONTAINED LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ARTICLE 13 OF MAY 21 DRAFT WAS A SUBSTANTIAL DEPARTURE FROM EXISTING PROVISIONS IN UN CHARTER OR CONSTITUTIONS OF SPECIALIZED AGENCIES. WHEN QUERIED BY FRG WHY FORMULA INCLUDED VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS AS WELL AS ASSESSMENTS, KHANE RESPONDED THAT QUESTION HAD BEEN CAREFULLY CONSIDERED BY THE SECRETARIAT AND IT HAD BEEN CONCLUDED THAT WITHOUT PROVISION FOR COUNTING VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS THE PROPOSAL

WOULD ENCOUNTER SUBSTANTIAL OPPOSITION FROM
DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. ACCORDING TO KHANE WHO SPOKE
WITH SURPRISING FRANKNESS ON THIS POINT THE FORMULA
AS DRAFTED WAS INTENDED TO MAKE IT POSSIBLE FOR
DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN A POSITION TO MAKE LARGE
VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS TO UNIDO TO OFFSET THE HEAVY
INFLUENCE WHICH MAJOR ASSESSED CONTRIBUTORS
WOULD OTHERWISE HAVE ON VOTING THE BUDGET. IMPLICATION
OF KHANE'S STATEMENT WAS THAT UNDER PRESENT FORMULA
ONLY DIRECT VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS TO UNIDO WOULD BE COUNTED,
AND NOT INDIRECT SUPPORT OF UNIDO OPERATIONAL ACTIVITIES
VIA UNDP.

5. GOHOREL (CHIEF OF FINANCIAL SERVICES) HAS MADE
AVAILABLE TO US IN ROUGH FORM REDRAFT OF ARTICLES 11, 12, 13,
AND 14 AGREED BETWEEN NEW YORK AND VIENNA. OLD ARTICLES 11 AND 13
ARE NOW COMBINED. (COPY AIR POUCH IO/CMD). GOHOREL CALLED ATTENTION
TO FACT THAT LAST SENTENCE OF OLD ART. 11 PARA 3 (LIMITING
ADJUSTMENT UPWARD BY IDB OF BUDGET ESTIMATES VOTED BY
CONFERENCE TO NOT MORE THAN 10 PERCENT) WOULD, IN NEW
DRAFT, APPLY ONLY TO PROGRAM DEVELOPMENTS SUBSEQUENT
TO PREVIOUS GENERAL CONFERENCE AND NOT TO CHANGES
DUE TO INFLATION AND/OR CURRENCY FLUCTUATIONS
(ARTICLE 11, NEW PARA 4). GOHOREL SAID HE HAD ARGUED
AGAINST EXCLUSION THESE FACTORS FROM 10 PERCENT

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